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October 20, 2011

Via Certified Mail - Return Receipt Requested

Jeffrey C. Miller, Esq. Miller Nash 500 East Broadway, Suite 400 Vancouver, Washington 98660-3324

Re:

Alleged Insured:

Kaiser Gypsum Company, Inc. Lower Duwamish Waterway Site

Site:

Location:

Seattle, Washington

Claimant:

United States Environmental Protection Agency

Policies:

Granite State Insurance Company -

6184-4363 (5/1/84 - 4/1/85)

Insurance Company of the State of Pennsylvania – 411-4919, 411-4969, 411-4970 (1/1/71 - 1/1/74);

174-5841, 4174-5842, 4174-5843, 4174-5844 (1/1/74-1/1/77);

41777436, 1777437, 1777438 (1/1/77 - 10/1/77)

Lexington Insurance Company -

 $GC_{5502895}$ (10/7/77 – 10/1/78), 5513539 (10/1/78 – 4/1/79),

5513581 (4/1/79 - 4/1/80), 5514410 (4/1/80 - 4/1/81)

Landmark Insurance Company -

IMB-455-7233 (End. Eff. 1/29/81), E4001206 (4/1/81 - 4/1/82),

FE4001234 (4/1/82 - 4/1/83)

Claim No.

182-082669

Please refer to claim number 182-082669 in all future correspondence with this office regarding these excess policies.

Dear Mr. Miller:

This letter will acknowledge receipt by Granite State Insurance Company ("Granite State"), Insurance Company of the State of Pennsylvania ("ICSOP"), Lexington Insurance Company ("Lexington"), and Landmark Insurance Company ("Landmark") of your notice of claim for Kaiser Gypsum Company, Inc. regarding the Lower Duwamish Waterway Site, Seattle, Washington. Please note that I will be handling this claim and request that all future correspondence, etc. regarding this matter be addressed directly to me.

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This letter constitutes only an acknowledgement of the claim against the Granite State, ICSOP, Lexington, and Landmark policies – it is neither an acceptance nor a denial of coverage.

Very truly yours,

Maria Litman Complex Director Environmental Claims